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Alvin I. Thomas
President

NOTICE REGARDING CHANGES IN TUITION FEES

THE 1971 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS ENACTED LEGISLATION THAT CHANGED THE TUITION TO BE CHARGED AT ALL STATE SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS. THIS MEMORANDUM SEEKS TO CLARIFY THOSE PORTIONS OF HOUSE BILL 43 AS RELATIVE TO STUDENTS ENROLLED AT PRAIRIE VIEW A. AND M. COLLEGE.

RESIDENTS OF TEXAS NOT ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

House Bill 43 states, "Tuition for resident students. . . is Four Dollars (\$4) per semester credit hour, but the total of such charge shall not be less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) per semester."

QUESTION: What will be the charge for tuition if I enroll for student teaching and no other course?

ANSWER: The tuition fee will be Fifty Dollars (\$50). According to House Bill 43 a student shall be charged not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) per semester.

QUESTION: I am a full-time employee of the College, and want to enroll for only one three-hour course, what will be the charge for my tuition?

ANSWER: The tuition fee will be Fifty Dollars (\$50). According to House Bill 43 a student shall be charged not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) per semester.

QUESTION: I am a graduate student enrolled for a class that meets on Saturdays. What will be the cost of my tuition?

ANSWER: The tuition will be Fifty Dollars. According to House Bill 43 a student shall be charged not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) per semester.

QUESTION: I was enrolled at the College last year and am enrolled this Summer, am I eligible to pay the tuition fees that existed at these times?

ANSWER: All residents of Texas are to be assessed tuition fees at Four Dollars (\$4) per semester credit hour, but the total of such charges shall be not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50) per semester.

NON-RESIDENTS, OTHER THAN ALIENS, NOT ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

House Bill 43 states, "Tuition for non-resident students. . . is Forty Dollars (\$40) per semester credit hour. Any non-resident who (was) enrolled for the spring semester of 1971 may continue to ENROLL AT THE SAME INSTITUTION at the same tuition rate that was effective at the time of his original enrollment until one of the following conditions first occurs:

1. He receives the degree at the degree level (i.e., the baccalaureate, masters or doctoral degree) toward which he is working during the spring semester of 1971.
2. He voluntarily withdraws from the institution or the institution involuntarily withdraws the student for disciplinary reasons or for failing to meet the academic standards of the institution.
3. The termination of the spring semester of 1975.

QUESTION: I am a non-resident and attended the College during the second semester of the 1970-71 school year. Am I to be charged Forty Dollars per semester credit hour?

ANSWER: No. Your enrollment the second semester qualifies you to enroll at the College at the rate that was in effect during the second semester, provided you were in school the entire semester.

QUESTION: I, a non-resident was enrolled the first semester of last school year, but was unable to go to school the second semester. Am I to be charged Forty Dollars per semester credit hour?

ANSWER: Yes. According to House Bill 43, to be eligible for last year's tuition rates, a non-resident must have been enrolled the second semester.

QUESTION: I am an out-of-state student who first enrolled at Prairie View A&M this summer. Am I to be charged Forty Dollars per semester credit hour?

ANSWER: Yes. To be eligible for the tuition rates in effect this summer, it was necessary that you were enrolled the second semester of last year.

QUESTION: I am a non-resident who was enrolled at another state supported institution. I am to be at Prairie View this fall, will I be charged Forty Dollars per semester credit hour?

ANSWER: Yes. According to House Bill 43 if one was enrolled during the Spring Semester of 1971, he may enroll at the SAME INSTITUTION AT THE SAME TUITION RATE. If one changes institutions he is subject to the new tuition rate.

QUESTION: I am a non-resident student who received his undergraduate degree in May, and I have a friend, who is receiving his degree this summer and who is also a non-resident, we plan to return for the fall semester and do graduate work, will we be charged Forty Dollars per semester credit hour?

ANSWER: Yes. That the two of you will be starting new degree programs mean you are subject to the new tuition rate.

ALIENS NOT ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

House Bill 43 states, "Tuition for students who are citizens of any country other than the United States of America is Fourteen Dollars (\$14) per semester credit hour, but the total of such charge shall be not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200). An alien who is living in this country under a visa permitting permanent residence or who has filed with the proper federal immigration authorities a declaration of intention to become a citizen, he has the same privilege of qualifying for resident status for fee purposes under this ACT as has a citizen of the United States.

RESIDENT STUDENTS, NON-RESIDENTS, AND ALIENS ENROLLED IN THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

House Bill 43 states, "Tuition for students registered in a school of nursing as a nursing student is Fifty Dollars (\$50) per semester. Tuition for students registered in a school of nursing as a nursing student for less than twelve (12) semester credit hours of work or less than full semester credit hour load shall pay an amount proportionally less than the Fifty Dollars (\$50), but not less than Twenty Dollars (\$20).

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
For The
1971 SECOND SUMMER TERM AND 1971 FALL SEMESTER

Second Summer Term

July	12-13	Registration for 6-Weeks Session and for 3-Week Session
July	14	Classes Begin
July	30	Final Examinations for 3-Week Session
August	15	Baccalaureate Exercises
August	17	Final Examinations for 6-Week Session
August	17	Commencement Exercises
August	18	Continuation of Final Exams

Fall Semester

August	23	Faculty Conference
August	24-25	Orientation for New Students
August	26-28	Registration for Former Students
August	29	Parent's Convocation
August	30	Classes Begin Late Registration Fee Begins
September	1	Registration Closes Last Day for Changing Program
October	20-21	Mid-Semester Tests
November	24 (Noon)	Thanksgiving Recess Begins
November	29	Classes Resume
December	16-18; 20-22	Final Examinations
December	22	Close of First Semester

Dear Parents and Guardians:

HAPPY THANKSGIVING from Prairie View A&M University. . .

Never before in the history of the College have we had more reason to be thankful and excited about the future. The College has changed its status to a university. A \$21 million construction program has been completed. The 1973-74 enrollment is the highest in the history of the University. The faculty grows stronger each year. Over 500 companies will come to the campus this year to provide excellent jobs for our graduates. The number of gifts and grants from private sources increases each year. For all these and so many other blessings, we give thanks this season.

For all our parents and guardians, we offer this Thanksgiving Prayer by the late Peter Marshall:

Lord, Thou has indeed been bountiful. As we look back over the years, how gracious Thou hast been, how tender Thy mercy, how warm and constant Thy love.

Create within us, our Father, that true gratitude that shall make this day of Thanksgiving one of rededication, when we shall think not of how much we can eat, but of how thankful we ought to be.

So may we, all across this land today, act as recipients of God's richest merciful and bountiful blessing, as we share with others. May we, in gratitude, get on with the joy of creating not only a nation but a world in which all men shall have the right to seek happiness.

Help us to make that dream come true in our homes day by day, in street and office and school, and so to live that Thou shalt be able to bless us and bless the nation for which we pray. In His name, who created us a nation, we pray. Amen.

AS PARENTS AND GUARDIANS, WE HAVE MANY REASONS TO BE THANKFUL...

- ...Prairie View is our own University. With pride and hard work, Prairie View has graduated many productive people since its founding in 1878.
- ...That your sons and daughters are enrolled to continue the record of the University to produce productive people.
- ...The name of the University has caught up with its great reputation. On August 27, 1973, the name of Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical College was changed to Prairie View A&M University.
- ...The Board of Directors continue to show great interest in the University by their approval of major projects, programs, and appearances on the University Campus.
- ...The 1973 budget of the University is the largest in the history of the University. Starting with a budget at 6.7 million dollars in 1966, President Alvin I. Thomas has worked to raise the budget to nearly 18 million dollars in 1973, increased substantially in only six years.
- ...Despite the decline in enrollments in higher education, Prairie View A&M University has the largest enrollment in the history of the University. Over 4,600 students are currently enrolled.
- ...The enrollment of Prairie View A&M University has increased 22% in the past six years.
- ...The number of students graduating from Prairie View A&M University has increased from 605 in 1966 to 1,132 in 1972-73, an increase of 87%.
- ...Fourteen new academic honor societies have been added to the University since 1966.
- ...The faculty grows stronger each year and the number of faculty members with the doctoral degree has increased from 19% in 1966 to nearly 40% in 1972.
- ...Faculty salaries have almost doubled in the past six years. Average 9 month salaries were \$7,213 in 1966 and rose to \$12,861 in 1973.

MORE REASONS TO BE THANKFUL...

- ...A strong career planning and placement center has been established at the University to insure that our graduates have the best jobs upon completion of their education.
- ...Over 500 companies and school districts come to the campus each year to recruit and employ the Prairie View graduate.
- ...According to a report from the Office for the Advancement of Public Negro Colleges (Atlanta, Georgia) the 1973 graduates from Prairie View A&M University received the highest beginning salary of any graduate of the thirty-three public black colleges and universities.
- ...The academic programs at Prairie View are accredited by the Texas State Board of Education, the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges as well as selected national accrediting bodies.
- ...All Engineering programs are accredited by the Engineer's Council for Professional Development. The Nursing program by the National League for Nursing and the Teacher Education program by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.
- ...The expanded research program which has increased from approximately \$500,000 in 1966 to over 2 million dollars in 1973.
- ...For Federal grants and contracts which has increased from \$400,000 in 1966 to over \$5,000,000 in 1973.
- ...For Debra Sapenter, Senior, Biology major, and her athletic achievements in track. Debra has the fastest time in the nation and the fourth fastest in the world in the 440 yard dash.
- ...For a dedicated, loyal faculty which spends many hours working with students and helping them to achieve their personal, social and academic goals.
- ...We are especially thankful to parents, friends, alumni, businesses, industry and foundations who gave over \$500,000 last year to support programs for which state funds were not available. We hope that you will continue to give generously to the University.

1973-74 ANNUAL FUND DRIVE BEGINS...

We are pleased to announce that the 1973-74 Annual Fund Drive for Prairie View A&M University is now underway. The Annual Fund Drive is to provide funds from private sources to help support Prairie View A&M University.

It is important that parents and guardians understand that while Prairie View is a public institution it is not a fully state supported institution.

The State Legislature provides funds for (1) General Administration, (2) General Institutional Expenses, (3) Resident Instruction, (3) Vocational Teacher Training, (4) Library, (5) Organized Research, (6) Extension and Public Services, (7) Physical Plant Operation, (8) Special Items, and (9) Major Repairs of Buildings.

The State Legislature does not provide funds for (1) Medical Services, (2) Memorial Center, (3) Student Activities, (4) College Exchange, (5) Parking Lots, (6) Dining Hall, (7) Laundry, (8) Guest House and Hotel, (9) Athletics, (10) Band, (11) Choir, (12) Cultural Activities, (13) Alumni Affairs, (14) College Yearbook, (15) Student Scholarships, and (17) Emergency Loan Funds, and many other needs.

A minimum Annual Fund Drive Goal for 1973-74 has been set at \$500,000. The appeal will be directed toward the alumni, faculty, administration, students, parents, corporations, business, industry, and foundations.

The goal for the Parents and Guardian Association has been set at \$25,000. We need your support. . . Please give generously. . . Your gift is tax exempt. . .

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